

## Virginia Green Lodging Profile:





## **Townplace Suites Dulles**

Sterling, Virginia

Virginia Green is the Commonwealth of Virginia's campaign to promote environmentally-friendly practices is all aspects of Virginia's tourism industry. Virginia Green has established "core activities" specific to each sector of tourism, and these practices are considered the required minimum for participation in the program. However, Virginia Green encourages its participants to reduce their environmental impacts in all aspects of their operations; and this profile provides a full list of all their "green" activities. These are the activities that guests / customers can expect to find when they visit this facility.

## **Townplace Suites Dulles**

"The Dulles Airport TownePlace Suites provides extended stay lodging in Sterling, VA near Washington Dulles International Airport. The TownePlace Suites Dulles Airport is also conveniently located near downtown Washington D.C., Dulles Town Center, Leesburg Outlet Shopping and the Dulles Expo and Convention Center as well as businesses such as AOL, Raytheon, Lockheed Martin and Northrop Grumman"



**Green Statement:** "The B. F. Saul Company Hotel Division rolled out an initiative termed "Our Big Green". This initiative committed the hotel division to become a leader in the hospitality industry for the sustainability of our environment. We have implemented leading and innovative business practices, provide education and training, utilize eco-friendly products, enhance daily work habits and monitor compliance and success."

## **CORE ACTIVITIES for Lodging**

"☑" This symbol indicates a <u>required activity</u> for Virginia Green Lodging facilities. Participants self-certify that these activities are in place and they provide additional specifics on other activities. Visitors to the Dulles Airport TownePlace Suites can expect the following practices:

- Optional Linen Service. Virginia Green Lodging facilities must have some sort of system in place that allows guests to not have their sheets and towels changed every day. This facility pledges that they:
  - Change linens only upon request
  - Train house cleaners on process for optional linen service
  - Minimize use of bleach and chlorinated chemicals
- Recycling and Waste Reduction. Virginia Green Lodging facilities must recycle Glass Bottles and are highly encouraged to maintain a comprehensive recycling program. This facility pledges that they:

- Recycle: glass, aluminum cans, steel cans, food waste (composting), grease, plastic, toner cartridges, cardboard, and fluorescent lamps
- Track overall waste bills
- Have numeric goal to reduce overall materials that go to the landfill
- Provide condiments, cream and sugar, etc. in bulk
- Have an effective food inventory control to minimize waste
- Purchase low VOC carpets and fabrics
- Use latex paints that are low-VOC
- Perform preventative maintenance on all appliances, HVAC systems, plumbing, and vehicles
- Use a last-in/first-out inventory and labeling system
- **Water Conservation.** The facility must have a plan for conserving water that should consider plumbing modifications and landscaping. This facility pledges that they:
  - Track overall water usage and wastewater
  - Have a numeric goal to reduce water consumption over time
  - Perform preventative maintenance to stop drips and leaks
  - Have low flow toilets
- **Energy Conservation.** The facility must have a plan in place that encourages replacement of lighting and equipment to energy-efficient alternatives. This facility pledges that they:
  - Track overall energy bills
  - Have had an energy audit to identify efficiency opportunities
  - Have a numeric goal of how much they want to reduce their energy usage over time
  - Use:
    - compact fluorescent light bulbs in all rooms and in canned lighting
    - LED Exit Signs
  - Have individual thermostats for each room/area
  - Use EnergyStar's Benchmarking Tools for the Hospitality Industry
- Green Events Package. The facility must offer a "green" or "environmentally-friendly" package for conferences, meetings and other events. Even if the facility only offers occasional, small events, at least recycling will be provided.
  - This facility does not have meeting or conference space



For more information on **Townplace Suites Dulles**, see <u>www.towneplacedullesairport.com</u> or contact **Dave Moran** at **dave.moran@bfsaul.com** or **703-707-2017**.



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